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TOMOGRAPHY BY PATH LENGTH ENCODED ANGULAR  
COMPOUNDING

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicant respectfully requests that the listed references on the enclosed form PTO-1449 be placed in the file of the above-referenced application. Copies of the United States patent references listed on the Form PTO-1449 are not enclosed, but the PCT, foreign and non-patent references are enclosed.

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The requisite fee of \$180.00 pursuant to these sections and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is hereby further authorized to charge any deficiencies and credit any over payments for the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement to the Dorsey & Whitney's Deposit Account 50-2054.

Respectfully submitted,

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